## HOUSE RESOLUTION 155 By Ferguson

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Toshia Marie Murray, 2005 Valedictorian of Oliver Springs High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Toshia Murray is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class at Oliver Springs High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Toshia has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Murray has earned an exemplary 4.143 grade point average while maintaining memberships in several clubs and organizations, including the National Beta Club, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the yearbook staff, and the tennis team; and

WHEREAS, her dedication to academic excellence has garnered Toshia Murray Top of the Class Awards in Biology I, English II, U.S. Government, and Contemporary Issues; All A's Honors over four years; the President's Award for Academic Excellence; and First Place in the Medical and Health category in the Oliver Springs High School Fair. She was also recognized for three years of perfect attendance, highly awarded in two BPA Regional contests, listed as a *Knox News Sentinel* Top 5 Academic Achiever, and named as Fox 43's Best of the Class; and

WHEREAS, a leader among her peers, Ms. Murray submitted sterling service as a twoyear Class Treasurer, the Treasurer of the Business Professionals of America, and a Representative on the Student Council; committed her time and energy as a Youth Group

Community Volunteer; and served as a Delegate to the Volunteer Girls' State program; and

WHEREAS, Toshia Murray's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes

WHEREAS, Toshia's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, V.J. and Rowan Murray, her school, and her community; and

well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Murray's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor the 2005 Oliver Springs High School Valedictorian, Toshia Marie Murray, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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